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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1948-49, 1949-50 and 1950-51, and monthly production for the latest six months (October, 1951 to March, 1952) are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. The names of those authorities are given in full below. Figures up to 1948-49 inclusive are taken from the Government Statistician's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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* Figure revised.

A blank space in a column of figures means that figures for the month concerned are not yet available.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities:-

- C. & A. Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.
- F.A. Forest Authorities.
- G.S. Commonwealth or State Statistician.
- J.C.B. Joint Coal Board.
- M.D. State Department of Mines.
- M.F.D. State Building Materials Procurement Directorate.
- T. & C. Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
FUEL: Briquettes	G.S.	Tons	33,329	46,558	48,464	42,617	53,231	45,512	28,918	46,486	47,957	53,658
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	12,900	11,684	10,430	*14,934	*13,430	* 9,080	10,500	11,500	11,500
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	585,044	634,997	608,346	706,183	666,637	549,029	639,956	664,988	723,486
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	Mill.Cu.Ft.	594	1,009	884	943	1,060	966	957	913	912	979
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	Mill.K.W.H.	102	209	226	237	250	238	222	222	* 233	245
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Clay Bricks	M.P.D.	'000	16,437	12,754	11,543	12,854	14,040	15,799	10,512	11,275	15,526	
Fibrous Plaster Sheets (a)	M.P.D.	'000 Sq.Yds.	273	510	450	420	* 550	* 493	* 342	* 358	485	
Tiles - Cement	M.P.D.	'000	252	1,290	1,539	1,680	*2,352	*2,286	*1,753	*1,617	2,114	
- Terra Cotta	M.P.D.	'000	1,145	915	943	981	1,184	1,094	814	867	1,155	
Sawn Native Timber	F.A.	'000 Sup.Ft.	10,016	23,488	26,173	26,476	27,214	27,160	27,228			
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	G.S.	Gals.	15,415	89,746	96,800	124,131	140,873	134,855	90,580	87,622	115,882	98,500
Lacquers (Nitro-Cell)	G.S.	"	12,725	19,371	20,617	23,103	28,842	26,176	19,162	23,066	23,788	23,242
Enamels (Nat. & Syn)	G.S.	"	5,251	34,572	42,185	45,469	65,157	57,636	46,509	38,930	40,601	51,355
Water Paints	G.S.	lb.	54,897	86,009	107,801	101,433	140,222	172,045	132,383	101,407	133,165	183,947
Soap - Household	G.S.	cwt.	16,024	16,592	(b)17,432	19,153	22,459	17,741	15,144	16,973	20,048	20,107
Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	3,934	4,647	4,726	5,374	4,502	3,728	3,792	5,598	5,336
Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,940	(c)	2,701	2,458	2,078	1,759	1,834	2,734	2,413
Industrial	G.S.	"	..	3,008	)	4,097	4,686	4,545	4,405	4,107	4,959	4,433
Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	673	) 4,967	1,906	1,692	1,628	1,112	903	1,179	1,154
Soft	G.S.	"	445	486	)	565	579	692	521	474	632	568
Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,663	)	2,216	2,856	2,539	2,563	2,313	2,273	2,112
Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	20,746	23,242	25,517	42,404	31,283	25,100	28,285	35,473	33,003
Superphosphate	C&A	Tons	39,854	49,679	51,497	51,564	55,631	52,685	50,895	63,279	46,854	55,106
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	G.S.	"	16,543	19,333	19,945	20,223	21,428	20,935	21,906	22,927	*17,214	23,134
REFINED METALS: Gold	M.D.	Fine Ozs.	12,373	5,540	5,214	*5,422	*5,412	*5,553	*5,052	3,826	5,491	6,331
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves - Solid Fuel (d)	G.S.	Number	1,439	914	931	1,253	1,669	1,557	1,016	928	*1,634	1,535
- Gas (d)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,460	1,343	1,374	1,607	1,386	884	757	*1,001	1,080
Coppers- Gas	G.S.	"	..	359	709	828	743	527	497	223	576	633
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	523	759	793	735	690	449	355	682	730
- Gas	G.S.	"	..	458	247	712	792	622	312	483	472	606
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	4,008	4,176	5,390	5,972	5,717	4,159	3,732	5,674	5,381
PEDAL CYCLES: (made &/or assembled)	G.S.	"	..	..	..	4,130	*4,071	*4,279	*3,850	*2,376	2,437	2,259

(a) Factory production only.

(b) Includes Flakes & Chips.

(c) Included with "Soap - Household".

(d) Household and commercial cooking stoves in 1938-39, thereafter household cooking stoves only.

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			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (a)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	Number	..	3,729	4,170	6,579	9,374	8,319	7,250	5,478	6,922	7,416
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	634	985	776	648	783	850	466	1,119	631
2½ " " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	505	398	269	160	136	195	500	310
5 " " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	158	179	461	197	188	118	95	230
COTTON SEWING THREAD (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	..	42,257	65,747	78,714	79,609	43,144	45,465	59,349	63,150
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	Sq.Yds.	154,435	68,863	79,003	81,042	91,673	95,691	65,703	84,427	87,781	63,952
WOOL TEXTILES: Scoured Wool (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,153	5,261	4,701	4,451	4,154	3,294	3,662	4,176	3,882
Wool Tops	G.S.	" "	936	1,323	1,166	1,135	1,362	972	655	648	717	541
Yarn - Worsted	G.S.	" "	612	1,137	1,092	1,027	1,119	870	572	546	636	454
- Woollen	G.S.	" "	731	1,186	1,173	1,018	1,179	934	653	553	719	627
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 Sq.Yds.	1,415	1,891	1,749	1,634	1,716	1,384	1,094	991	1,267	1,093
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids', Girls'												
Fully Fashioned & Circular	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	..	..	81,134	92,498	121,252	101,143	75,075	73,577	96,975	90,089
Anklelets	G.S.	" "	..	..	21,659	24,578	29,513	23,536	14,722	12,349	14,932	12,685
Men's & Boys'	G.S.	" "	..	..	87,976	104,983	136,951	107,920	87,165	56,116	87,523	77,951
Children's	G.S.	" "	..	..	32,651	36,527	42,333	34,842	25,136	29,371	26,658	28,154
KNITTED UNDERWEAR (c): Men's	G.S.	Doz.	(d) 91,941	24,064	39,879	36,324	53,468	44,338	31,092	29,274	34,176	35,131
Women's	G.S.	"	(e)	62,523	77,575	74,732	94,332	87,430	52,096	51,681	75,864	69,727
Children's	G.S.	"	(e)	16,103	25,140	25,618	38,364	29,593	18,705	21,179	27,856	22,751
KNITTED OUTERWEAR: (c)												
Cardigans, Jumpers, Sweaters, etc.												
Men's and Women's	G.S.	"	16,301	18,457	20,400	24,053	28,784	*22,479	*17,319	*15,625	*22,651	17,979
Boys' and Girls'	G.S.	"	4,420	8,404	6,706	7,270	11,631	9,015	7,168	5,382	7,587	9,707
Bathing Suits	G.S.	"	1,944	1,757	1,839	1,264	3,158	2,619	1,083	296	74	..
CLOTHING (except knitted):												
Shirts - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	22,581	21,968	*23,394	*26,088	*36,536	*36,901	*28,992	*20,354	*28,871	20,232
Pyjamas Suits - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	6,097	6,637	6,380	5,299	6,190	7,465	4,294	5,093	6,805	7,799
GLOVES (not rubber):												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	77	2,605	1,510	1,612	788	917	689	456	663	958
Other	G.S.	" "	..	1,788	2,007	2,458	3,039	3,986	2,066	1,382	2,036	2,727
Work	G.S.	" "	1,187	1,309	1,211	1,216	1,471	1,955	1,251	1,126	1,742	2,048
FOOTWEAR (not rubber) Boots & Shoes	G.S.	'000 Prs.	622	610	634	670	780	714	486	478	639	647
Sandals	G.S.	" "	..	65	51	61	96	94	58	34	22	15
Slippers	G.S.	" "	352	379	358	361	387	343	209	223	263	293

(a) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

(b) Includes carbonised wool.

(c) Made in knitting mills.

(d) Includes women's and children's.

(e) Included in Men's.

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			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	36,402	38,982	36,195	37,467	47,015	43,517	39,928	46,134	45,267	47,362
Bran (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,937	8,240	6,973	7,226	9,497	8,939	8,193	9,225	8,994	9,195
Pollard (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	8,222	7,258	7,381	9,539	8,826	8,261	9,249	8,927	9,563
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,677	2,731	2,843	3,657	3,444	2,765	2,290	3,604	3,490
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	G.S.	" "	1,121	2,172	2,664	2,237	2,303	1,666	1,005	1,072	1,629	1,815
- Other	G.S.	" "	1,589	1,862	2,114	2,099	2,635	2,667	1,851	1,721	2,322	2,127
Beef and Veal	G.S.	Tons	9,499	9,835	10,551	11,263	11,609	11,648	10,587	*11,564	*12,308	13,157
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	4,415	5,569	3,850	4,906	7,872	6,215	* 3,983	* 2,798	2,983
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	5,147	6,708	4,633	4,824	6,071	7,039	* 7,621	* 7,431	6,376
Pork	G.S.	"	897	719	546	701	746	793	1,044	* 700	* 724	798
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	850	661	644	599	782	689	581	587	677
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	21,271	24,273	21,322	22,900	27,448	25,822	*24,658	*24,059	24,235
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	5,003	5,292	4,838	9,097	9,005	8,037	6,351	4,452	3,377
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,529	1,774	1,898	3,534	3,547	3,335	2,380	1,567	1,193
Processed Milk Products (a)	G.S.	"	..	5,379	5,708	5,192	9,865	10,330	9,204	7,086	4,908	4,132
Ice Cream	G.S.	Galls.	88,801	321,363	234,389	430,418	491,764	*523,263	*595,883	*764,443	*638,245	364,732
Beer	T&C	'000 Galls.	2,621	3,663	4,155	4,454	5,065	4,893	4,850	5,542	5,210	5,103
Oatmeal and Rolled or Crushed Oats	G.S.	Cwt.	11,786	16,241	14,814	11,808	3,559	4,429	2,093	3,350	6,322	16,283
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	10,141	11,684	10,335	11,801	11,885	9,126	9,856	12,098	11,169
Edible Starch (Maize and wheat)	G.S.	"	..	7,514	8,208	8,298	7,741	5,417	7,482	5,879	8,735	9,809
Margarine - Table	G.S.	"	1,871	1,566	1,656	945	1,100	1,143	747	951	1,093	1,321
- Other	G.S.	"	5,403	5,875	5,735	4,810	6,350	5,272	5,127	3,917	5,105	5,580
Malt - Barley & Wheaton	G.S.	Bushel(40 lb.)	202,093	272,558	307,091	307,698	326,821	325,121	293,578	300,037	280,197	315,093
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	6,314	5,809	5,609	2,889	2,399	4,452	15,844	3,622	4,578
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (b)	G.S.	" "	7,901	7,286	7,790	8,139	-	-	1,002	14,702	26,115	51,824
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	342	225	293	-	1,565	2,692	1,319	..	..
Other Vegetables (c)	G.S.	" "	333	1,371	1,704	2,350	* 3,492	* 2,058	* 1,714	* 1,607	* 1,830	1,524
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes (d)	T&C	" "	634	813	850	867	457	957	767	862	870	871
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	Number	1,757	4,110	3,990	4,473	3,649	3,274	2,701	2,152	3,316	3,148
MATTRESSES:												
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	..	5,467	5,581	7,520	9,479	7,212	5,965	5,401	8,651	8,563
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	3,933	4,783	7,203	5,294	6,026	5,815	4,942	8,132	9,155
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	9,889	10,015	11,576	8,029	7,093	5,584	4,906	7,379	8,538
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool Felt & Carpets	G.S.	Sq. Yds.	..	74,629	107,006	130,202	150,480	107,947	61,679	67,335	91,245	81,631

(a) Includes Infant's and Invalid's Food.

(b) Includes Tasmanian Production.

(c) Excludes all Tomato products.

(d) Victorian factory production to 1948-49, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.